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Libraries in Government Colleges.

* 1903 *Q.*—Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) the book value of libraries in Government colleges;

(*b*) the grants made to each during the last five years;

(*c*) whether the Government have any policy regarding the aid given to these libraries; and

(*d*) if so, what that policy is?

A.—(*a*) The information is not available.

(*b*), (*c*) & (*d*) The allotment made for the purchase of books for Government colleges during the last five years is given below:—

—	1924-25.	1925-26.	1926-27.	1927-28.	1928-29 (Revised Estimate).
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
The College of Engineering ..	379	996	1,273	2,000	2,000
The Law College ..	3,977	2,918	2,852	3,000	3,000
Teachers' Colleges, Saidapet and Rajahmundry *	952	1,635	1,489	2,063	2,700
The Lady Willingdon Training College	1,176	1,392	1,247	1,390	1,700
The Queen Mary's College for Women, Madras.	2,005	1,258	2,000	2,459	3,000
Government Arts Colleges for Men (nine in number) *	17,496	21,238	22,254	22,349	28,000

The annual allotment for each college is fixed with reference to its needs.

* Separate figures for each training college and arts college are not available.

Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI:—"Will the hon. the Minister call for information with regard to (*a*)?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN:—"It is rather an elaborate process and I do not think any useful purpose will be served by calling for such information."

Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI:—"With reference to (*b*), (*c*) and (*d*), may I know whether any grant is set apart for libraries?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN:—"It is for the purchase of books."

Selection of students for training in training schools.

* 1904 *Q.*—Mr K. V. R. SWAMI: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) how many of the students admitted in 1927–28 in the training schools in the Presidency had been employed previously as teachers; and

(*b*) whether the Government have any scheme or policy with regard to be selection of students for training in the training schools?

A.—(*a*) The information is not available.

(*b*) The selection of candidates for training in training schools is regulated by the rules in Chapters IX and X of the Madras Educational Rules.

Teaching grants to European secondary schools.

*1905 Q.—Mr. K. V. R. Swami : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of European secondary schools to whom teaching grants are made at present ;

(*b*) what proportion the grant makes to the amount actually spent by those schools ; and

(*c*) the number of students benefited by these grants ?

A.—(*a*) 58.

(*b*) 22 per cent.

(*c*) 8,170.

Reorganization of the Educational Service.

*1906 Q.—Mr. K. V. R. Swami : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state whether orders are going to be passed in the near future reorganizing certain branches of the Subordinate Educational Service ; and if so, what they are ?

A.—Yes. A copy of the orders will be placed on the table of the House as soon as they are issued.

Revision of the Grant-in-Aid Code.

*1907 Q.—Mr. C. V. Venkataramana Ayyangar : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is a proposal before the Government for revising the Grant-in-Aid Code and if so, how long it has been under consideration and at what stage it is at present ;

(*b*) whether the Director of Public Instruction has sent a circular to high schools and colleges under private management that the Government have under consideration a proposal to reduce the grants for buildings and equipments for teaching of scientific subjects from two-thirds to half and if so, whether the Government have come to any decision in the matter ;

(*c*) whether the Government have decided as to how the savings made should be utilized if the grants are reduced as under (*b*) ; and

(*d*) whether the Government have received memorials from educational guilds and organizations that the grants should be enhanced and not reduced ?

A.—(*a*) Yes. Since 1926.

(*b*) *to* (*d*) The hon. Member is referred to the answer to question No. 1902.